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SUBJECT: POTENTIAL MAJOR PROJECT - FLIGHT DATA AND  
COCKPIT VOICE RECORDERS

1. AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED THROUGH FAA CHANNELS, THE U.K. CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY HAS ISSUED A REQUIREMENT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1975, FOR THE INSTALLATION OF FLIGHT DATA AND/OR COCKPIT VOICE RECORDERS IN SEVERAL WEIGHT CATEGORIES OF U.K. CERTIFICATED AIRLINE AND PRIVATE AIRCRAFT. FOLLOWING ARE ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF AMENDED CAA REQUIREMENTS: NEW GENERATION AIRCRAFT (747, DC-10, L-1011, ETC) - COMPLEX FLIGHT DATA RECORDER AND COCKPIT VOICE RECORDER; PRESENT GENERATION AIRCRAFT (707, VC-10, TRIDENT, ETC) - FLIGHT DATA RECORDERS WITH AN ADDITIONAL THREE PARAMETERS; NEW AIRCRAFT BETWEEN 25,000 AND 59,400 LBS - SIMPLE NINE PARAMETER FLIGHT DATA RECORDERS AND COCKPIT VOICE RECORDERS; NEW AIRCRAFT BETWEEN 12,500 AND 25,000 LBS - EITHER SIMPLE FLIGHT RECORDERS OR COCKPIT VOICE RECORDERS. UNDERWATER SONAR LOCATION DEVICES ALSO WILL BE REQUIRED FOR CERTAIN CATEGORIES OF AIRCRAFT.

2. COPIES OF THE RELEVANT AIRWORTHINESS SPECIFICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE FROM THE CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY AIRWORTHINESS DIVISION, REQUIREMENTS AND PUBLICATIONS SECTION, BRABAZON HOUSE, REDHILL, SURREY, RH1 1SQ, ENGLAND.

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3. SUGGEST THIS INFORMATION BE WIDELY DISSEMINATED  
WITHIN U.S. AVIONICS INDUSTRY ON AN URGENT BASIS. WE  
UNDERSTAND BRITISH AIRWAYS, EUROPEAN DIVISION, HAS AL-  
READY BEGUN EQUIPPING ITS TRIDENTS AND OTHER OLDER AIR-  
CRAFT WITH COCKPIT VOICE RECORDERS.

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